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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA **GREENVILLE DIVISION**

| Stanley Mack, | Civil Action No. 6:15-2840-BHH |
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| Plaintiff, |)) |
| v. |)) |
| CAROLYN M. COLVIN, | ORDER) |
| Acting Commissioner of Social Security, |)) |
| Defendant. |)) |

Upon consideration of the Motion for Attorney's Fees pursuant to the Equal Access to Justice Act (EAJA) 28 U.S.C. §2412(d), it is hereby,

ORDERED that Plaintiff, Stanley Mack, is awarded attorney fees under the EAJA in the amount of Two Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Four Dollars (\$2,584.00) in attorney fees and Twenty-Three Dollars and Ninety-Three Cents (\$23.93) in expenses. The attorney fees will be paid directly to Plaintiff, Stanley Mack, and sent to the business address of Plaintiff's counsel. Full or partial remittance of the awarded attorney fees will be contingent upon a determination by the Government that Plaintiff owes no qualifying, pre-existing debt(s) to the Government. If such a debt(s) exists, the Government will reduce the awarded attorney fees in this Order to the extent necessary to satisfy such debt(s).¹

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/Bruce Howe Hendricks United States District Judge

May 3, 2016 Greenville, South Carolina

¹In Astrue v. Ratliff, 560 U.S. 586, 598 (2010), the United States Supreme Court held that the EAJA requires

attorneys' fees to be awarded directly to the litigant. Id. (holding that the plain text of the EAJA requires that attorneys' fees be awarded to the litigant, thus subjecting EAJA fees to offset of any pre-existing federal debts); see also Stephens v. Astrue, 565 F.3d 131, 139 (4th Cir. 2009) (same).